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Meeting Minutes

RIMPTA Academy Classroom, CCRI, Lincoln

September 16, 2021 (Special Meeting)

1. Welcome and Roll Call

Chief Mello called to order the special meeting of the Police Officers Commission on Standards & Training (POST) at 9:35 a.m. on **September 16, 2021**. **A quorum has been met.**

Chief Mello took a roll call. The following POST members were present at the meeting: Chief Mello, Colonel Michael Winkist, Colonel Clements and Maria Deaton. Absent is Shawn Brown. Also present were Lieutenant Christopher Zarrella, Donna Lavalley; Ryan Holt; Colonel Stephen Brown, EGPD; Chief Richard Ramsay, WGPD; Lt. Kevin Zieglemayer, CCRI.

2. Review of Lateral applications

Chief Mello stated the package for Joel Saccoccio asking for a lateral transfer from Pawtucket PD to CCRI is complete and all requirements have been met.

Colonel Clements made a motion to approve the lateral transfer of Joel Saccoccio from Pawtucket PD to CCRI Police; Maria Deaton seconded the motion. With all in favor, 4-0, motion carries.

Chief Mello stated that the package for John Salisbury asking for a lateral transfer from Newport PD to West Greenwich PD is complete with the exception of the Psychological testing.

Colonel Winkist made a motion to approve the lateral transfer of John Salisbury from Newport PD to West Greenwich PD contingent upon the successful passing of the Psychological testing; Maria Deaton seconded the motion. With all in favor, 4-0, motion carries.

Colonel Winkist has now recused himself from this agenda item. Chief Mello stated the package requesting a lateral transfer for Michael Schiappa from Johnston PD to Cranston PD is complete and all requirements have been met.

Maria Deaton made a motion to approve the lateral transfer of Michael Schiappa from Johnston PD to Cranston PD; Colonel Clements seconded the motion. With all in favor, 3-0, motion carries.

Chief Mello stated the package requesting a lateral transfer for Michael Nolan from South Kingstown PD to Cranston PD is complete and all requirements have been met.

Maria Deaton made a motion to approve the lateral transfer of Michael Nolan from South Kingstown to Cranston PD; Colonel Clements seconded the motion. With all in favor, 3-0, motion carries.

Chief Mello stated we will now jump to Agenda Item 3 as Colonel Brown is awaiting a rapid COVID test in the lobby.

3. 3-year Re-certification of Academy Instructors

Chief Mello stated that he has the following instructors for re-certification:

- Sgt. Kenneth Dolan, Pawtucket PD – SFST Instructor
- Lt. Joseph Tougas, Central Falls PD – SFST Instructor
- Off. Robert Hazard, West Warwick PD – SFST Instructor
- Off. Lauren Antrop, Narragansett PD – SFST Instructor
- Off. Amanda Burbank, Westerly PD – SFST Instructor
- Lt. Michael Fallon, Providence PD – SFST Instructor
- Sgt. Aaron Kay, Warwick PD – SFST Instructor
- Sgt. Jedidiah Pineau, Warwick PD – SFST Instructor
- Gina Scordino, EBC House – DV/SA

Lt. Zarrella added that he approves all of the above-named instructors for re-certification.

Maria Deaton made a motion to approve all of the instructors named for re-certification; Colonel Winquist seconded the motion. With all in favor, 4-0, motion carries.

Colonel Brown is now present. Chief Mello stated he has a request from Colonel Brown for a lateral transfer of Jonathan Condon from Woonsocket PD to East Greenwich PD.

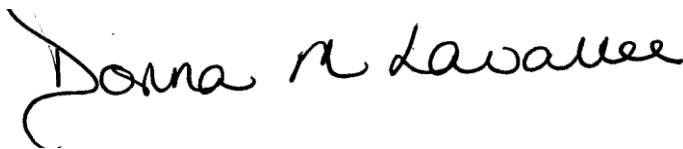
Chief Mello stated that the Commission members have now entered into Executive Session, per RIGL 42-26.5 (a)(1). Colonel Clements made a motion to enter into Executive Session; Colonel Winquist seconded the motion. With all in favor, 4-0, motion carries.

Chief Mello reported on a vote taken during Executive Session to approve the lateral transfer of Jonathan Condon from the Woonsocket Police Department to the East Greenwich Police Department with a vote of 4-0.

4. Adjournment

Colonel Winquist made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 am; Colonel Clements seconded the motion. With all in favor, 4-0, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



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